you report more cotton acreage under this contract than is eligible for prevented planting coverage, we will allocate the eligible acreage to insured units based on the number of prevented planting acres and share you reported for each unit.

- (4) When the ASCS Farm Serial Number covers more than one unit, or a unit consists of more than one ASCS Farm Serial Number, the covered acres will be pro-rated based on the number of acres in each unit or ASCS Farm Serial Number that could have been planted to cotton in the crop year.
- (5) In accordance with the provisions of section 3 (Report of Acreage, Share, and Practice (Acreage Report)) of the General Crop Insurance Policy (§ 401.8), you must report any insurable acreage you were prevented from planting. This report must be submitted on or before the acreage reporting date, even though you may elect to plant the acreage after the late planting period. Any acreage you report as eligible for prevented planting coverage which we determine is not eligible will be deleted from prevented planting coverage.
- (6) If the amount of premium you are required to pay (gross premium less our subsidy) for the prevented planting acreage exceeds the prevented planting liability on a unit, prevented planting coverage will not be providing for that unit (no premium will be due and no indemnity will be paid for such acreage).

11. Meaning of Terms

- (a) Cotton—only American Upland Cotton.
- (b) Crop year—the period beginning at planting and extending through the end of the insurance period shown in section 4 and is designated by the calendar year in which the crop is normally planted.
 - (c) Days—calendar days.
- (d) Final planting date—the date contained in the Actuarial Table by which the insured cotton must initially be planted in order to be insured for the full production guarantee.
- (e) Growth area—a geographic area designated by the Secretary of Agriculture for the purpose of reporting cotton prices.
- (f) Harvest—the removal of the seed cotton on each acre from the open cotton boll or the severance of the open cotton boll from the stalk by either manual or mechanical means.
- (g) Irrigated practice—a method of producing a crop by which water is artificially applied during the growing season by appropriate systems, and at the proper times, with the intention of providing the quantity of water needed to produce at least the yield used to establish the irrigated production guarantee on the irrigated cotton acreage.
- (h) Late planted—acreage during the late planting period.
- (i) Late planting period—the period which begins the day after the final planting date

for cotton and ends twenty-five (25) days after the final planting date.

- (j) Mature cotton—cotton which can be harvested either manually or mechanically and will include both unharvested and harvested cotton.
- (k) $Prevented\ planting$ —inability to plant cotton with proper equipment by:
- (1) The final planting date for cotton in the county; or
- (2) The end of the late planting period.
- You must have been unable to plant cotton due to an insured cause of loss which is general in the area (i.e., most producers in the surrounding area are unable to plant due to similar insurable causes) and which occurs between the sales closing date and the final planting date or within the late planting period.
- (1) Production guarantee—the number of pounds determined by multiplying the approved yield per acre by any applicable yield conversion factor for the row pattern planted, multiplied by the coverage level percentage you elect.
- (m) Skip-row—planting patterns consisting of alternating rows of cotton and fallow rows or rows of another crop (not spring-planted) as defined by ASCS (if non-cotton rows are occupied by another crop any yield factor normally applied for skip-row cotton will not be applicable).
- (n) *Timely planted*—cotton planted by the planting date, as established by the Actuarial Table, for cotton in the county to be planted for harvest in the crop year.

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§ 401.120 Rice endorsement.

The provisions of the Rice Crop Insurance Endorsement for the 1988 through the 1997 crop years are as follows:

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

Rice Endorsement

1. Insured Crop

- a. The crop insured will be rice which is planted for harvest as grain. $\,$
- b. In addition to the rice not insurable under section 2 of the general crop insurance policy, we do not insure any rice:
- (1) Destroyed or put to another use in order to comply with other United States Department of Agriculture programs; or:
- (2) Which is not irrigated.

2. Causes of Loss

a. The insurance provided is against unavoidable loss of production resulting from

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the following causes occurring within the insurance period.

- (1) Adverse weather conditions (excluding drought):
 - (2) Fire;
 - (3) Insects:
 - (4) Plant disease;
 - (5) Wildlife;
 - (6) Earthquake;
 - (7) Volcanic eruption; or
- (8) Failure of the irrigation water supply due to an unavoidable cause occurring after the beginning of planting;

unless those causes are excepted, excluded, or limited by the actuarial table or section 9 of the general crop insurance policy.

b. In addition to the causes of loss not insured against under section 1 of the general crop insurance policy, we will not insure against my loss of production due to application of saline water.

3. Annual premium

The annual premium amount is computed by multiplying the production guarantee times the price election, times the premium rate, times the insured acreage, times your share at the time of planting, times any applicable premium adjustment percentage for which you may qualify as contained in the actuarial table, because;

- (a) You have not selected optional units; or
- (b) You are eligible for a good insuring experience discount.

4. Insurance Period

The calendar date for the end of the insurance period is October 31 of the calendar year on which the rice is normally harvested.

5. Unit Division

Rice acreage that would otherwise be one unit, as defined in section 17 of the general crop insurance policy, may be divided into more than one unit if for each proposed unit:

- a. You maintain written verifiable records of planted acreage and harvested production for at least the previous crop year and production reports based on those records are filed to obtain an insurance guarantee; and
- b. Acreage planted to the insured rice is located in separate, legally identifiable sections (except in Florida) or, in the absence of section descriptions (and in Florida) the land is identified by separate ASCS Farm Serial Numbers, provided:
- (1) The boundaries of the section or ASCS Farm Serial Number are clearly identified and the insured acreage is easily determined; and
- (2) The rice is planted in such a manner that the planting pattern does not continue into an adjacent section or ASCS Farm Serial Number: or
- c. If you have a loss on any unit, production records for all harvested units must be

provided to us. Production that is commingled between optional units will cause those units to be combined. If your rice acreage is not divided into optional units as provided in this section, your premium amount will be reduced as provided by the actuarial table.

6. Notice of Damage or Loss

For purposes of section 8 of the general crop insurance policy the representative sample of the unharvested crop must be at least 10 feet wide and the entire length of the field

7. Claim for Indemnity

- a. The indemnity will be determined on each unit by:
- (1) Multiplying the insured acreage by the production guarantee;
- (2) Subtracting therefrom the total production of rice to be counted (see subsection 7.b.):
- (3) Multiplying the remainder by the price election; and
 - (4) Multiplying this product by your share.
- b. The total production to be counted for a unit will include all harvested production including any production from a second rice crop harvested in the same crop year (Any mature production from volunteer rice growing in the rice will be counted as rice on a weight basis).
- (1) Mature rough rice production which otherwise is not eligible for quality adjustment will be reduced in volume by .12 percent for each .1 percentage point of moisture in excess of 12.0 percent; or
- (2) Mature rough rice production which, due to insurable causes:
- (a) Has a total milling yield (heads, second heads, screening, and brewers) of less than 68 pounds per hundredweight;
- (b) The whole kernel weight is less than 55 pounds per hundredweight for medium and short grain varieties;
- (c) The whole kernel weight is less than 48 pounds per hundredweight for long grain varieties:
- (d) Contains more than 4.0 percent chalky kernels in long grain varieties;
- (e) Contains more than 6.0 percent chalky kernels in medium or short grain varieties;
- (f) Contains more than 3.0 percent chalky kernels in other types; or
- (g) Contains more than 2.5 percent red rice will have the production adjusted by:
- (i) Dividing the value per pound of such rice, by the price per pound of U.S. No. 3 rough rice; and
- (ii) Multiplying the result by the number of pounds of such rice.

(The applicable price for No. 3 rough rice will be the nearest mill center price on the earlier of the day the loss is adjusted or the day the rice was sold).

- c. The production to be counted will include all appraised production as follows:
- (1) All unharvested production on harvested acreage and potential production lost due to uninsured causes and failure to follow recognized good rice farming practices;
- (2) Not less than the guarantee for any acreage which is abandoned or put to another use without our prior written consent or damaged solely by an uninsured cause;
- (3) Appraised production on unharvested acreage.
- (4) Appraised production on insured acreage for which we have given written consent to be put to another use unless such acreage is:
- (i) Not put to another use before harvest of rice becomes general in the county and is reappraised by us;
- (ii) Further damaged by an insured cause and is reappraised by us; or
 - (iii) Harvested.
- d. A replanting payment is available under this endorsement. The replanting payment per acre will not exceed 400 pounds multiplied by the price election, multiplied by your share.
 - 8. Cancellation and Termination Dates

The cancellation and termination dates are:

| State and county | Cancellation and termi- nation dates |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Jackson, Victoria, Goliad, Bee, Live Oak, McMullen, LaSalle, Dimmit Counties, Texas, and all Texas counties south thereof. | February 15. |
| Missouri Florida | April 15. March 15. March 31. |

9. Contract Changes

The date by which contract changes will be available in your service office is December 31 preceding the cancellation date for counties with an April 15 cancellation date and November 30 (December 17 for the 1998 crop year only) preceding the cancellation date for all other counties.

10. Late Planting and Prevented Planting

(a) In lieu of subparagraphs 2.e.(4) and 21.0. of the General Crop Insurance Policy (§ 401.8), insurance will be provided for acreage planted to rice during the late planting period (see subparagraph (c)), and acreage you were prevented from planting (see subparagraph (d)). These coverages provide reduced production guarantees for such acreage. The reduced guarantees will be combined with the production guarantee for timely planted acreage for each unit. The premium amount for the late planted acreage and eligible prevented planting acreage will be the same as that for timely planted acreage. For exam-

ple, assume you insure one unit in which you have a 100 percent (100%) share. The unit consists of 150 acres, of which 50 acres were planted timely, 50 acres were planted 7 days after the final planting date (late planted), and 50 acres are unplanted and eligible for prevented planting coverage. To calculate the amount of any indemnity which may be due to you, the production guarantee for the unit will be computed as follows:

- (1) For timely planted acreage, multiply the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by the 50 acres planted time-
- (2) For late planted acreage, multiply the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by ninety-three percent (0.93) and multiply the result by the 50 acres planted late; and
- (3) For prevented planting acreage, multiply the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by:
- (i) Thirty-five percent (0.35) and multiply the result by the 50 acres you were prevented from planting, if the acreage is eligible for prevented planting coverage, and if the acreage is left idle for the crop year, or if a cover crop is planted not for harvest. Prevented planting compensation hereunder will not be denied because the cover crop is hayed or grazed; or
- (ii) Seventeen and five tenths percent (0.175) and multiply the result by the 50 acres you were prevented from planting, if the acreage is eligible for prevented planting coverage, and if you elect to plant a substitute crop for harvest after the 10th day following the final planting date for the insured crop. (This subparagraph (ii) is not applicable, and prevented planting coverage is not available hereunder, if you elected the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement or you elected to exclude prevented planting coverage when a substitute crop is planted (see subparagraph 10(d)(1)(iii))).

The total of the three calculations will be the production guarantee for the unit. Your premium will be based on the result of multiplying the per acre production guarantee for timely planted acreage by the 150 acres in the unit.

- (b) If you were prevented from planting, you must provide written notice to us not later than the acreage reporting date.
 - (c) Late Planting.
- (1) For acreage planted after the final planting date but on or before 25 days after the final planting date, the production guarantee for each acre will be reduced for each day planted after the final planting date by:
- (i) One percent (.01) for the first through the tenth day; and
- (ii) Two percent (0.02) for the eleventh through the twenty-fifth day.
- (2) In addition to the requirements of section 3 (Report of Acreage, Share, and Practice (Acreage Report)) of the General Crop

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Insurance Policy (§401.8), you must report the dates the acreage is planted within the late planting period.

- (3) If planting of the rice continues after the final planting date, or you are prevented from planting rice during the late planting period, the acreage reporting date will be the later of:
- (i) The acreage reporting date contained in the Actuarial Table; or
- (ii) Five (5) days after the end of the late planting period.
- (d) Prevented Planting (Including Planting After the Late Planting Period).
- (1) If you were prevented from planting rice (see subsection 11(h)), you may elect:
- (i) To plant rice during the late planting period. The production guarantee for such acreage will be determined in accordance with paragraph 10(c)(1);
- (ii) Not to plant this acreage to any crop except a cover crop not for harvest. You may also elect to plant the insured crop after the late planting period. In either case, the production guarantee for such acreage will be thirty-five percent (35%) of the production guarantee for timely planted acres. For example, if your production guarantee for timely planted acreage is 2000 pounds per acre, your prevented planting production guarantee would be 700 pounds per acre (2000 pounds multiplied by 0.35). If you elect to plant the insured crop after the late planting period, production to count for such acreage will be determined in accordance with subsections 7b and c; or
- (iii) Not to plant the intended crop but plant a substitute crop for harvest, in which
- (A) No prevented planting production guarantee will be provided for such acreage if the substitute crop is planted on or before the tenth day following the final planting date for the insured crop; or
- (B) A production guarantee equal to seventeen and five tenths percent (17.5%) of the production guarantee for timely planted acres will be provided for such acreage, if the substitute crop is planted after the tenth day following the final planting date for the insured crop. If you elected the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement or excluded this coverage and plant a substitute crop, no prevented planting coverage will be provided. For example, if your production guarantee for timely planted acreage is 2000 pounds per acre, your prevented planting production guarantee would be 350 pounds per acre (2000 pounds multiplied by 0.175). You may elect to exclude prevented planting coverage when a substitute crop is planted for harvest and receive a reduction in the applicable premium rate. If you wish to exclude this coverage, you must so indicate, on or before the sales closing date, on your application or on a form approved by us. Your election to exclude this coverage will remain

in effect from year to year unless you notify us in writing on our form by the applicable sales closing date for the crop year for which you wish to include this coverage. All acreage of the crop insured under this policy will be subject to this exclusion.

- (2) Proof may be required that you had the inputs available to plant and produce the intended crop with the expectation of at least producing the production guarantee.
- (3) In addition to the provisions of section 7 (Insurance Period) of the General Crop Insurance Policy (§401.8), the insurance period for prevented planting coverage begins:
- (i) On the sales closing date contained in the Special Provisions for rice in the county for the crop year the application for insurance is accepted; or
- (ii) For any subsequent crop year, on the sales closing date for the insured crop in the county for the previous crop year, provided continuous coverage has been in effect since that date. For example: If you make application and purchase a rice crop insurance policy for the 1996 crop year, prevented planting coverage will begin on the 1996 sales closing date for the insured crop in the county. If the rice coverage remains in effect for the 1997 crop year (is not terminated or cancelled during or after the 1996 crop year, except the policy may have been cancelled to transfer the policy to a different insurance provider, if there is no lapse in coverage), prevented planting coverage for the 1997 crop year began on the 1996 sales closing date.
- (4) The acreage to which prevented planting coverage applies will not exceed the total eligible acreage on all Farm Service Agency (FSA) Farm Serial Numbers in which you have a share, adjusted for any reconstitution that may have occurred on or before the sales closing date. Eligible acreage for each FSA Farm Serial Number is determined as follows:
- (i) If you participate in any program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture that limits the number of acres that may be planted for the crop year, the acreage eligible for prevented planting coverage will not exceed the total acreage permitted to be planted to the insured crop.
- (ii) If you do not participate in any program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture that limits the number of acres that may be planted, and unless we agree in writing on or before the sales closing date, eligible acreage will not exceed the greater of:
- (A) The FSA base acreage for the insured crop, including acres that could be flexed from another crop, if applicable;
- (B) The number of acres planted to rice on the FSA Farm Serial Number during the previous crop year; or
- (C) One hundred percent (100%) of the simple average of the number of acres planted to $\,$

rice during the crop years that you certified to determine your yield.

- (iii) Prevented planting coverage will not be provided for any acreage:
- (A) That does not constitute at least 20 acres or 20 percent (20%) of the acreage in the unit, whichever is less (Acreage that is less than 20 acres or 20 percent of the acreage in the unit will be presumed to have been intended to be planted to the insured crop planted in the unit, unless you can show that you had the inputs available before the final planting date to plant and produce another insured crop on the acreage):
- (B) For which the actuarial table does not designate a premium rate unless a written agreement designates such premium rate;
- (C) Used for conservation purposes or intended to be left unplanted under any program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture;
- (D) On which another crop is prevented from being planted, if you have already received a prevented planting indemnity, guarantee or amount of insurance for the same acreage in the same crop year, unless you provide adequate records of acreage and production showing that the acreage has a history of double-cropping in each of the last four years:
- (E) On which the insured crop is prevented from being planted, if any other crop is planted and fails, or is planted and harvested, hayed or grazed on the same acreage in the same crop year, (other than a cover crop as specified in paragraph (a)(3)(i) of this section, or a substitute crop allowed in paragraph (a)(3)(ii) of this section) unless you provide adequate records of acreage and production showing that the acreage has a history of double-cropping in each of the last four years;
- (F) When coverage is provided under the Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement if you plant another crop for harvest on any acreage you were prevented from planting in the same crop year, even if you have a history of double cropping. If you have a Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement and receive a prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for a crop and are prevented from planting another crop on the same acreage, you may only receive the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for the crop on which the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance is received: or
- (G) For which planting history or conservation plans indicate that the acreage would have remained fallow for crop rotation purposes.
- (iv) For the purpose of determining eligible acreage for prevented planting coverage, acreage for all units will be combined and be reduced by the number of rice acres timely planted and late planted. For example, as-

- sume you have 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage in which you have a 100 percent (100%) share. The acreage is located in a single FSA Farm Serial Number which you insure as two separate optional units consisting of 50 acres each. If you planted 60 acres of rice on one optional unit and 40 acres of rice on the second optional unit, your prevented planting eligible acreage would be reduced to zero (i.e., 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage minus 100 acres planted equals zero).
- (5) In accordance with the provisions of section 3 (Report of Acreage, Share, and Practice (Acreage Report) of the General Crop Insurance Policy (§ 401.8), you must report by unit any insurable acreage that you were prevented from planting. This report must be submitted on or before the acreage reporting date. For the purpose of determining acreage eligible for a prevented planting production guarantee the total amount of prevented planting and planted acres cannot exceed the maximum number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage. Any acreage you report in excess of the number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage, or that exceeds the number of eligible acres physically located in a unit, will be deleted from your acreage report.
- (6) If the amount of premium you are required to pay (gross premium less our subsidy) for the prevented planting acreage exceeds the prevented planting liability on a unit, prevented planting coverage will not be provided for that unit (no premium will be due and no indemnity will be paid for such acreage).

11. Meaning of Terms

- (a) Days—calendar days.
- (b) Final planting date—the date contained in the Actuarial Table by which the insured rice must initially be planted in order to be insured for the full production guarantee.
- (c) Harvest—the completion of combining or threshing rice for grain on any acreage.
- (d) Late planted—acreage planted during the late planting period.
- (e) Late planting period—the period which begins the day after the final planting date for rice and ends twenty-five (25) days after the final planting date.
- (f) Mill center—any location in which two or more mills are engaged in milling rough rice.
- (g) Planted—uniform placement of an adequate amount of rice seed into a prepared seedbed by one of the following methods. Any acreage into which seed is placed in any other manner will not be considered as planted under the terms of this policy:
- (1) Drill seeding—uniform placement of the rice seed into the prepared seedbed by use of a grain drill that incorporates the seed to a proper soil depth.

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- (2) Broadcast seeding—uniform distribution of the rice seed onto the surface of a prepared seedbed, followed by either mechanical incorporation of the seed to a proper soil depth in the seedbed or flushing the seedbed with water.
- (3) Broadcast seeding into a controlled flood—uniform distribution of the rice seed onto a prepared seedbed that has been intentionally covered by water. The water must be free of movement and be completely contained on the acreage by properly constructed levees and gates.
- (h) Prevented planting—Inability to plant the insured crop with proper equipment by the final planting date designated in the Special Provisions for the insured crop in the county or the end of the late planting period. You must have been unable to plant the insured crop due to an insured cause of loss that has prevented the majority of producers in the surrounding area from planting the same crop.
- (i) Production guarantee—the number of pounds determined by multiplying the approved yield per acre by the coverage level percentage you elect.
- (j) Replanting—performing the cultural practices necessary to replace the rice seed and replacing the rice seed in the insured acreage with the expectation of growing a successful crop.
- (k) Second crop rice—regrowth of a stand of rice originating from the initially insured rice crop following harvest and which can be harvested in the same crop year.
- (1) Timely planted—rice planted by the final planting date, as established by the Actuarial Table, for rice in the county to be planted for harvest in the crop year.

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§ 401.121 ELS cotton endorsement.

The provisions of the ELS Cotton Crop Insurance Endorsement for the 1990 through 1994 crop years are as follows:

FEDERAL CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION

EXTRA LONG STAPLE COTTON ENDORSEMENT

1. Insured Crop and Acreage

- a. The crop insured will be Extra Long Staple cotton ("ELS") and American Upland lint cotton ("AUP") if the acreage was first planted in the crop year to ELS cotton.
- b. The acreage of skip-row cotton insured will be the acreage occupied by the rows of cotton after eliminating the skipped-row portions.

- c. In addition to the cotton not insurable in section 2 of the general crop insurance policy, we do not insure any cotton:
- (1) Which is not irrigated if it is grown:
- (a) Where a hay crop was harvested in the same calendar year; or
- (b) Where a small grain crop reached the heading stage in the same calendar year;
- (2) Planted in excess of any mandatory acreage limitations applicable to the farm by any program administered by the United States Department of Agriculture; or
- (3) Destroyed, or put to another use in order to comply with other United States Department of Agriculture programs.
- d. In lieu of subsection 2.e.(7) of the general crop insurance policy, we do not insure any cotton planted with another spring planted crop.

2. Causes of Loss

The insurance provided is against unavoidable loss of production resulting from the following causes occurring within the insurance period:

- a. Adverse weather conditions;
- b. Fire;
- c. Insects;
- d. Plant disease;
- e. Wildlife;
- f. Earthquake;
- g. Volcanic eruption; or h. Failure of the irrigation water supply due to an unavoidable cause occurring after

the beginning of planting; unless those causes are expected, excluded, or limited by the actuarial table or section 9 of the general crop insurance policy.

3. Annual Premium

The annual premium amount is computed by multiplying the production guarantee times the price election, times the premium rate, times the insured acreage, times your share at the time of planting, times any applicable premium adjustment percentage for which you may qualify as shown in the actuarial table, because you have not selected optional units as provided by the actuarial table

4. Insurance Period

- a. In lieu of subsection 7.(b) of the general crop insurance policy, (harvest of the unit) insurance will end upon removal of the cotton from the field.
- b. The calendar date for the end of the insurance period is January 31.

5. Unit Division

Cotton acreage that would otherwise be one unit, as defined in section 17 of the general crop insurance policy, may be divided into more than one optional unit, if for each proposed unit: